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1. Klin 56°21'N-36°45'E

- a. An important airfield was constructed in 1947 4 km east of the center of the town. Facilities include 4 runways with a length of about 3 km, and at least 5 wooden hangers.
- b. A large number of pursuit planes (at least 150) are stationed on the field.
- c. During 1948, the men from the air unit which was stationed on the field sometimes wore the numbers 42 and 48 on their shoulder patches.

2. Novgorod 58°33'N-31°16'E

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3. Riga 56°57'N-24°06'E

- a. There is an airfield located about 20 km southeast of the city, between Sallzimsk and Tukums on the banks of the Duna.
- b. The following regiments are stationed on the field: one regiment of pursuit aviation, one regiment of light bombardment aviation, and one regiment of artillery of the army corps depot.
- c. The regiment of the army corps depot is equipped with 33 gads of 45 or

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c. detail is equipped with 80 guns of 45 or source elvillans receive

instruction unit. Flights of the flying school and parachute jumps were observed in the direction of Riga lake.

4. Odessa 46°29'N-30°44'E

- a. Near the suburb of Slobotka there is an airfield which has a turf runway and two reconstructed hangers.
- b. Stationed on the field are about 25 two-engine IL-4's and 10 to 15 YAK-2 pursuits.

5. Smolensk 54047'N-32003'E

- a. The 252nd aviation regiment is stationed at the Smolensk airfield.
- b. During the summer of 1948, this unit wore its number on shoulder patches for several weeks.

6. Vitebsk 55°12'N-30°12'E

- a. There is an airfield located south of the city, along the edge of the Vitebsk-Smolensk road.
- b. A parachute regiment of about 3000 men is stationed on the field.

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